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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, XF

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT'S JAN 26 STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST

REF: STATE 019613

1. AMABASSADOR SAW NIMEIRI'S COUNSELLOR FOR ARAB AFFAIRS, MAJOR (RET) MAMOUN AWAD ABU ZEID, JAN 28 TO GIVE HIM COPY STATEMENT PROVIDED STATE 019616. ABU ZEID WAS BRIEFED ON USG POSITION TAKEN IN ADVANCE RECENT SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE (STATE 010929). INDICATING DEPARTMENT'S STATEMENT STANDS ON ITS OWN, AMBASSADOR UNDERLINED ITS EMPHASIS ON IMPORTANCE OF MOVING AHEAD WITH NEGOTIATING PROCESS. AS TO PALESTINIAN ISSUE, ABU ZEID'S ATTENTION WAS PARTICULARLY CALLED TO SENTENCE IN TEXT THAT "WE HAVE NO PRECONCEPTIONS AS TO THE NATURE OF SUCH A (MIDDLE EAST) SOLUTION AS IT INVOLVES THEM (I.E., PALESTINIANS)."

2. ABU ZEID SAID HE HAD WANTED TO ASK WHY USG HAD VETOED SUCH A WELL-DRAWN RESOLUTUION. HE NOW UNDERSTOOD, THOUGH HE DID NOT NECESSARILY SYMPATHIZE WITH, REASONS BEHIND USG ACTION. SUDAN, HE CONCLUDED, CONTINUED TO SUPPORT  
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EGYPT AND TO FAVOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE MID EAST

PROBLEM. HE SEEMED PLEASED WITH EMPHASIS IN STATEMENT ON USG  
INTENTION CONTINUE SEEK PRESS NEGOTIATING PROCESS.

3. COMMENT. FORMER MEMBER NIMEIRI'S ORIGINAL RCC WHO  
RETURNED TO PROMINENCE LAST SUMMER AS PRESIDENT'S ADVISOR  
ON ARAB AFFAIRS, ABU ZEID IS YOUNG, HIGH-STRUNG, INTELLIGENT  
EX-OFFICER REGARDED IN SOME QUARTERS AS THE  
SHREWDEST OF NIMEIRI'S MILITARY COTERIE. WHILE NOT YET  
ACCUSTOMED TO DEALING WITH FOREIGN AMBASSADORS, HE HAS  
PRESIDENT'S EAR AND CAN BE EXPECTED BRIEF NIMEIRI ON MAIN  
POINTS USG POSITION. BREWER

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